the production of oilseeds in the country, especially in the Sourthern States, during the current financial year; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) With a view to encourage the oilseeds production substantially, a Centrally Sponsored National Oilseeds Development Project was sanctioned during the year 1984-85 in seventeen oilseeds growing States including Southern States and is being continued during the current financial year with an outlay of Rs. 30 crores. The Project consists of two parts:—

(i) Special Projects in respect of Groundnut, Rapeseed-Mustard, Soyabean and Sunflower; and

(ii) Intensive Oilseeds Development Programme for seasamum, safflower, niger, linseed and castor besides the crops covered under the Special Projects.

The Project is being financed in full by the Government of India. The financial outlays during the current year for Southern States for oilseeds development under the National Oilseeds Development Project are as under:—

State	Outlay (Rs. lakhs)
Andhra Prodesh	402.75
Karnataka	188.660
Tamil Nadu	309.610

However, in Kerala, a separate pilot project on the development of red oil palm is in operation. The Project is jointly financed by Governments of India and Kerala with equity share participation in the ratio of 49 and 51 respectively. So far, 3705 hectares of land have been planted. This pilot project is not a part of the National Oilseeds Development Project.

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1587. **श्री शंकर सिंह वाघेला :**
श्री अश्विनी कुमार :
श्री कैलाश पति मिश्र :

क्या खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उपभोक्ताओं के हितों की रक्षा के संबंध में हाल ही में दिल्ली में सरकार द्वारा बुलाई गई एक-दिवसीय कांफ्रेंस में क्या-क्या सिफारिशें की गयीं और इनके प्रति केन्द्रीय सरकार तथा राज्य सरकारों की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है ;

(ख) क्या इस संबंध में अन्य देशों में प्रचलित कानूनों के बारे में केन्द्रीय सरकार ने कोई अध्ययन किया है और तदनुसार क्या उन्हें भारत में भी लागू किये जाने का विचार है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री (राव बीरेन्द्र सिंह) : (क) उपभोक्ता संरक्षण पर एक दो दिवसीय राष्ट्रीय कार्यशाला 11 व 12 मार्च, 1985 को हुई थी, जिसे मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित किया गया था। इसने सिफारिश की थी कि उपभोक्ता के हितों की रक्षा के लिये तथा उपभोक्ता जागरूकता पैदा करने के लिये सरकार, व्यापार, उद्योग तथा स्वैच्छिक संगठनों द्वारा संयुक्त प्रयास किये जायें। इसने उपभोक्ता संरक्षण कानूनों को कारगर ढंग से कार्यान्वित करने की भी सिफारिश की। सरकार उपभोक्ता की सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित

करने की बहुत इच्छुक है और उसने सिफारिशों का स्वागत किया है ।

(ख) से (घ) भारतीय विधि आयोग ने अन्य देशों, जैसे ब्रिटेन, संयुक्त राज्य अमरीका, पश्चिम जर्मनी, आस्ट्रेलिया आदि में विभिन्न कानूनों का अध्ययन किया है । उन्होंने विभिन्न कानूनों में कुछ परिवर्तनों की सिफारिश की है । विधि आयोग की सिफारिशों को कार्यान्वित करने के संबंध में सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Consumption of Pulses

1588. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that per capita consumption of pulses in the country has been going down during the last three decades; and

(b) if so, in what manner Government propose to remove protein deficiency in the diet of the general public in the country?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Efforts are being made to increase the production of pulses and other high protein foods like milk, eggs, fish, meat and soyabean. The import of pulses is being allowed under Open General Licence. Pulses are being sold through consumer cooperatives and super bazars.

Amendment of the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976

1589. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:

SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any memorandum from the Gujarat Institute of Housing and Estate Developers, wherein some suggestions have made for major modifications in the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of India is already seized of the problems raised by the Institute. A Working Group which had been constituted to suggest suitable amendments to simplify and streamline the Act had since furnished its recommendations which are under active consideration and it is not in the public interest to disclose the details.

FAO prediction on food crisis

1590. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that FAO foresees food crisis due to the fact that within 15 years more than 1000 millions people may be living in countries unable to grow enough food to feed them;

(b) if so, what is FAO's predictions for India in this regard; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.